The Speaker, on behalf of the entire membership of the House of Representatives, offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 380.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Jeff Mayes.

Whereas, It is with great admiration for his commitment to the people of the Ninety-sixth District, as well as the entire state, that we honor Representative Jeff Mayes as he ends his tenure of service as a member of this legislative body; and

Whereas, In 2004, Jeff Mayes was first elected to serve the people of Bay County. A graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in political science, he earned the distinction of being an Evans Scholar. Representative Mayes held a number of legislative positions before being elected to the House. He was a legislative assistant to two state representatives, and from 2000 through 2004 he served as Bangor Township Supervisor. Each of these positions well prepared him for his future responsibilities in the Michigan House of Representatives; and

Whereas, Representative Mayes served with distinction on a number of committees while in the Michigan House, and was highlighted by his contributions as the chair of the Agriculture Committee for the Ninety-fourth Legislature and chair of the Energy and Technology Committee for the Ninety-fifth Legislature; and

Whereas, Representative Mayes has been committed to improving the quality of life in the Saginaw Bay community as well as the state as a whole. He has introduced legislation in a wide range of subject areas, with a good number of his bills being enacted, with a noticeable emphasis on agriculture, energy, and economic development legislation. Representative Mayes has been a knowledgeable and pro-active legislator who has consistently served in the role of a consensus builder in addressing the issues facing the people of Michigan; now; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That this tribute be accorded to the Honorable Jeff Mayes with gratitude for his conscientious and thoughtful efforts on behalf of the people of Michigan and in helping make Michigan better equipped to solve the issues facing the state; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution is transmitted to our colleague, Representative Jeff Mayes as evidence of our esteem for him and our best wishes to him for the future.